

Report on	Environmental Health Reporting
Date of Meeting	8 th December 2021
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To provide information on the addition of the Environmental Health service area and associated matters to the Development Committee from January 2021 onwards.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>The Council agreed a new organisational structure in July 2021 which resulted in a series of changes to the then Council structure. During October 2021, Members considered and agreed to the proposed alignment to Committees and reporting arising from the new structure.</p> <p>The key changes to the structure relating to the Development Committee are that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Health and its associated functions will now fall within the new Communities and Place Department and be delivered alongside Leisure, Parks and Events in a new combined service area under the remit of the Assistant Director for Health, Leisure and Wellbeing.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Members will be aware that Environmental Health matters and associated statutory functions would have previously been reported through, and decisions resolved via the Environment Committee.
3.2	From the 13 th January 2021, all Environmental Health matters and associated statutory functions that require decision, that are for information or that have relevance to Chair's business shall be via the Development Committee.
3.3	A separate report detailing proposed amendments to the Council's Scheme of Delegation for Senior Officers to reflect the new organisational structure was considered at the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on 2 nd December 2021. As the Chief Executive continues to fill the new organisational structure, the post of Strategic Director of Communities and Place is being recruited for and vacant at this time therefore the proposal is that the Council's Director of Public

	Health and Infrastructure, or in their absence the Chief Executive, be delegated areas pertaining to Environmental Health and related matters, where required under the Scheme until such times as the Strategic Director of Communities and Place takes up post.
3.4	Further details are provided within the appendix highlighting the previously approved changes for Council committee structures to take effect from January 2022 and a list of the statutory functions that fall within the Environmental Health area which will now be transferred from the Environment Committee to Members of the Development Committee for January 2022 onwards.
3.5	<p>Below is a general list of the matters referred to the Development Committee (<i>note this list is not exhaustive</i>):</p> <p>(i) The committee is delegated the power to exercise the council's licensing functions in connection with its Environmental Health functions.</p> <p>(ii) The following functions stand referred to the committee:-</p> <p>To consider business and make recommendations to Council on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administration and management of cultural venues • Arts Development service delivery matters • Regional and Minority Languages requirements • Management of Leisure Services • Sports Development service delivery matters • Management and development of Water Recreation Sites transferred from central government • Management and development of Parks & Open Spaces • Management and development of Play Areas • Administration of matters pertaining to countryside access and related matters • Management of Community Services • Policing and Community Safety Partnership • Management of Rural Development Programme • Administration and management of Local Economic Development • Delivery of Physical Regeneration initiatives • Administration and management of functions and powers transferred from central government departments for Social Development and Enterprise, Trade & Investment • Tourism service delivery matters • Council and Community Events • Environmental Health service delivery matters
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: N/A

	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: N/A
	Rural Needs Implications: N/A
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	To note the contents of this report that details the changes to the Development Committee from January 2022 onwards.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A: Changes to Committee Structures and Environmental Health statutory functions.